

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Bureau of Competition

August 13, 2001



Via hand delivery

Hon. D. Michael Chappell Administrative Law Judge Federal Trade Commission Room 104 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20580

Re:

In the Matter of Schering-Plough Corp., Upsher-Smith Laboratories, and

American Home Products, Docket No. 9297

Dear Judge Chappell:

On behalf of complaint counsel, I have enclosed two courtesy copies of Complaint Counsel's Answer to Schering-Plough Corporation's Joinder in American Home Products Corporation's Motion to Compel Complaint Counsel to Search the Federal Trade Commission for Responsive Documents.

Sincerely,

Steve Vieux

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cc:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of

SCHERING-PLOUGH CORPORATION, a corporation,

UPSHER-SMITH LABORATORIES, a corporation,

and

AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORPORATION, a corporation.



Docket No. 9297

COMPLAINT COUNSEL'S ANSWER TO SCHERING-PLOUGH CORPORATION'S JOINDER IN AMERICAN HOME PRODUCTS CORPORATION'S MOTION TO COMPEL COMPLAINT COUNSEL TO SEARCH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION FOR RESPONSIVE DOCUMENTS

Respondent Schering-Plough Corporation ("Schering") seeks to join respondent

American Home Products Corporation's ("AHP") Motion to Compel Complaint Counsel to

Search the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") for Responsive Documents. Schering raises the

same arguments in its joinder that were raised in AHP's Motion to Compel for complaint counsel

to extend its search 1) to the offices of individual Commissioners and their staff, and 2) to open

and closed FTC investigatory files that are not related or relevant to this case. Since AHP and

Schering make the same arguments, complaint counsel does not oppose Schering's joinder in

AHP's motion, and incorporates by reference the arguments we made in Complaint Counsel's

Opposition to AHP's Motion to Compel. Schering's demands should be denied along with

AHP's.

how the favorable case law in those matters mirrors the present matter using publicly available

information, as all attorneys do in oral argument. In fact, Schering's counsel also referred to the

Hoechst/Andrx case and the underlying agreement in that matter when rebutting complaint

counsel's argument.⁵ Therefore, these are not examples that would warrant complaint counsel's

search of unrelated closed and open investigatory files.

II **CONCLUSION**

Complaint counsel does not oppose Schering's joinder in American Home Products

Corporation's motion to compel. For the reasons stated above and in complaint counsel's

Opposition to AHP's Motion to Compel, however, complaint counsel does oppose both AHP's

and Schering's requests for a more extensive search.

Respectfully Submitted,

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⁵ See, e.g., Transcript of Pretrial Hearing, July 25, 2001, pp. 59-60.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Steve Vieux, hereby certify that on August 13, 2001, I caused a copy of Complaint Counsel's Answer to Schering-Plough Corporation's Joinder in American Home Products Corporation's Motion to Compel Complaint Counsel to Search the Federal Trade Commission for Responsive Documents to be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, that two paper copies were served by hand upon The Honorable D. Michael Chappell, and that one paper copy was served upon the following by Federal Express and facsimile:

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